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Enclosed are:

1. [X] 7 pages of specifications, 8 claims, and an Abstract (8 total pages).
2. [X] Formal Drawings - 2 sheets of drawings, Figs. 1 & 2.
3. [X] An unexecuted Declaration and Power of Attorney.
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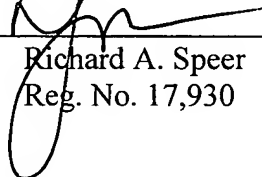
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